

## 18.02A Topic 19: Matrices, inverses.

Read: SN: M.1, M.2

**Introduction** Making Halloween bags (contents of bags):

	Kids	Teens	Adults
Lollipops	2	1	0
Snickers	1	2	2
Candy corn	1	2	2

$$\text{Output} = \text{no. bags} = \begin{pmatrix} K \\ T \\ A \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}; \quad \text{Input} = \text{amount candy} = \begin{pmatrix} L \\ S \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \vec{c}$$

Given  $\vec{x}$  can find  $\vec{c}$ , i.e.  $L = 2 \cdot K + 1 \cdot T + 0 \cdot A$  etc.

Given  $\vec{c}$  can find  $\vec{x}$  by solving simultaneous equations.

**Matrix notation**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} K \\ T \\ A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L \\ S \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2, 1, 0) \cdot \vec{x} \\ (1, 2, 1) \cdot \vec{x} \\ (1, 2, 2) \cdot \vec{x} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Or simply: } A\vec{x} = \vec{c}$$

The matrix  $A$  is the **coefficient matrix** and  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is called a **column vector**.

Demonstrate matrix multiplication: requires two hands.  $\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 21 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Sizes**  $n \times m = n$  rows and  $m$  columns

**Examples:**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}: 2 \times 2 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}: 3 \times 1 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}: 3 \times 3 \quad (1, 2, 3): 3 \times 1, \quad (3): 1 \times 1$$

Matrix multiplication extends to matrix times matrix.

$A \cdot B$ :  $i, j$  entry =  $\langle i^{\text{th}} \text{ row of } A \rangle \cdot \langle j^{\text{th}} \text{ column of } B \rangle$

$\Rightarrow$  must have #columns of  $A =$  #rows of  $B$ .

**Examples:**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 38 & 60 \\ 5 & 11 & 17 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ 22 & 23 \\ 36 & 37 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \text{ not valid expression.}$$

*(continued)*

**Algebraic laws**

$$1. \text{ Identity: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot A = A, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot A = A, \text{ etc.}$$

$$\text{In general, } I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ etc.}$$

If the size is clear from context, we just write  $I$ :  $I \cdot A = A \cdot I = A$

2. Addition:  $A + B$  add termwise (must be the same size)
3. Scalar multiplication:  $cA$  multiply scalar times matrix termwise.
4. Distributive law:  $(A + B) \cdot C = A \cdot C + B \cdot C$  (easy to show)
5. Associative law:  $(AB)C = A(BC)$  (challenging to show)
6. **NOT** commutative:  $AB \neq BA$ . (Doesn't even make sense –see examples above.)

**Inverses**

For scalars:  $ax = c \Rightarrow x = a^{-1}c$

What is  $a^{-1}$ ? Answer: the number such that  $a^{-1}a = 1$ .

Matrices are the same:  $A^{-1}$  is the matrix (if it exists) such that  $A^{-1}A = I$

$\Rightarrow$  to solve  $A\vec{x} = \vec{c}$  for  $\vec{x}$

Multiply by  $A^{-1}$  on left:  $\Rightarrow A^{-1}A\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{c}$

$\Rightarrow I\vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{c}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = A^{-1}\vec{c}$

Because matrix multiplication is not commutative it is important to multiply on the correct side. E.g. in the example above  $A\vec{x}A^{-1}$  would make no sense.

When do we have inverses?

For scalars:  $a^{-1}$  exists if  $a \neq 0$ .

For matrices:  $A$  must be square and  $|A| \neq 0$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

**Example:**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \text{ (verify this by multiplication)}$$

(continued)

**Finding inverses via the adjoint method**Start with  $A$ 

→ matrix of minors

→ matrix of cofactors (use  $\begin{pmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{pmatrix}$  to change signs)

→ Adjoint (transpose rows with columns)

→ Divide by  $|A|$ 

**Example:**  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

 $|A| = -4$  (Do this first, to see if the inverse even exists)

Minors:  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Cofactors:  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Adjoint:  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Check this by multiplying  $A \cdot A^{-1}$ .**NOTE:** This works for  $2 \times 2$  case also.